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Re Patent Application of)
Gordon R. Meyer et al.) Group Art Unit: 2179
Application No.: 09/074,544) Examiner: B. Huynh
Filed: May 8, 1998) Confirmation No.: 2392
For: METHOD FOR DYNAMICALLY)
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BASED INFORMATION SYSTEM)

PETITION TO WITHDRAW THE HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Notice of Abandonment dated November 4, 2004 states that the above-identified application is abandoned in view of the Decision of the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference rendered on July 26, 2004. However, within the time period for filing a Notice of Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, a Request for Continued Examination was filed. This request was accompanied by the requisite fee, and an Amendment canceling all of the rejected claims, and submitting new claims 62-77 for consideration.

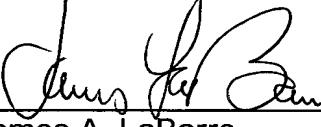
It is respectfully submitted that the filing of the Request for Continued Examination and fee reopens the prosecution of the application. The holding of abandonment is submitted to be improper, and Applicants hereby petition for its withdrawal.

It is believed that no fee is required in connection with this petition. However, if the payment of the fee is necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of such fee to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

Respectfully submitted,

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